

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method for rerouting wireless messages to locate service providers for destination devices that use different service providers than sending devices. In one embodiment, the method begins with a request to send a wireless message from a sending device that uses a first service provider to a destination device that uses a second service provider. Based on a phone number reference in the message, potential service providers for the destination device are identified. Ping messages are then sent to each of these potential service providers, while checking for a successful response. The message is then sent to the destination device via a service provider who successfully responds to the ping message sent to it. A phone map table that maps phone numbers to message service providers may also be used to reroute messages. The phone map table is updated in response to successful ping messages.

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